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Sir:

Attached is a copy of an Official Action of the Germany Patent Office, together with the correspondending documents in the above-identified application. Also attached is Form PTO-1449 listing the enclosed documents.

I hereby certify that each enclosed document listed on the herewith Form PTO-1449 was cited in the attached Official Action of Germany April 26, 1995, issued in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months ago.

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Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the herewith Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 along with an early action on the merits of this application are earnestly solicited.

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